



## Dear Dialysis Provider:

Effective date of service July 1, 2003, dialysis rates will be reduced. The department will pay the lower of the submitted usual and customary charge, or the statewide maximum allowable amount for the procedure code reflecting the service rendered. The statewide maximum allowable reimbursement is 80% of the Resource Based Relative Value Scale (RBRVS) as specified by Medicare for Georgia Area 1 (Atlanta) for 2000 with a 4.5% inflationary increase.

Please use the nine-digit provider number you were issued and have always used for billing Georgia Medicaid. On the CMS-1500, this information is located in item 33. Please do not add any zeros to your provider number. Your provider number must be on all claims submitted. Lack of the correct provider number is causing significant problems/delays in claims processing.

For questions regarding this you may call Debbie Smiley at (404) 657-9110. Thank you for your participation and continued support in Georgia Medicaid.